#### Remarks

The following remarks are intended to be fully responsive to the Final Office Action mailed 12/19/05:

Claims 1-9 and 11 are pending. Claim 10 has been cancelled. Claims 1, 2 and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sagiura et al in view of Dairokuno et al. Claim 3 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitation of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 5-9 and 11 are allowed.

## Claim Rejection – 35 U.S.C. § 103(a): Claims 1, 2 and 4

Claims 1, 2, and 4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sagiura et al in view of Dairokuno et al. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of Claims 2 and 3. Claims 2 and 4 are cancelled. Claim 1 is now in proper condition for allowance.

## Objections to Claims: Claim 3

Claim 3 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitation of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 3 depends from Claim 1, which has been amended to include all of the limitations of Claims 2 and 3. Claim 3 has been cancelled.

## Allowable Subject Matter: Claims 5-9 and 11

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that Claims 5-9 and 11 are allowed.

# Amendments to the Drawings

The attached drawing replacement sheet includes a change to Figure 1b.

The reference number for housing 70 has been added, having been inadvertently omitted from the original drawing. No new matter is added.

S/N: 10/785,509

In light of these Remarks and this Amendment, it is respectfully submitted that all claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested.

Respectfully submitted

STEVENSON et al.

Christopher W. Quinn

Reg. No. 38,274

Attorney for Applicant

Date: 2/8/06

**QUINN LAW GROUP, PLLC** 

39555 Orchard Hill Place, Suite 520

Novi, MI 48375

Phone: 248-380-9300 Fax: 248-380-8968

On behalf of:

Leslie C. Hodges GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION Legal Staff Mail Code 482-C23-B21 P.O. Box 300 Detroit, Michigan 48265-3000

Attachment: Replacement sheet.